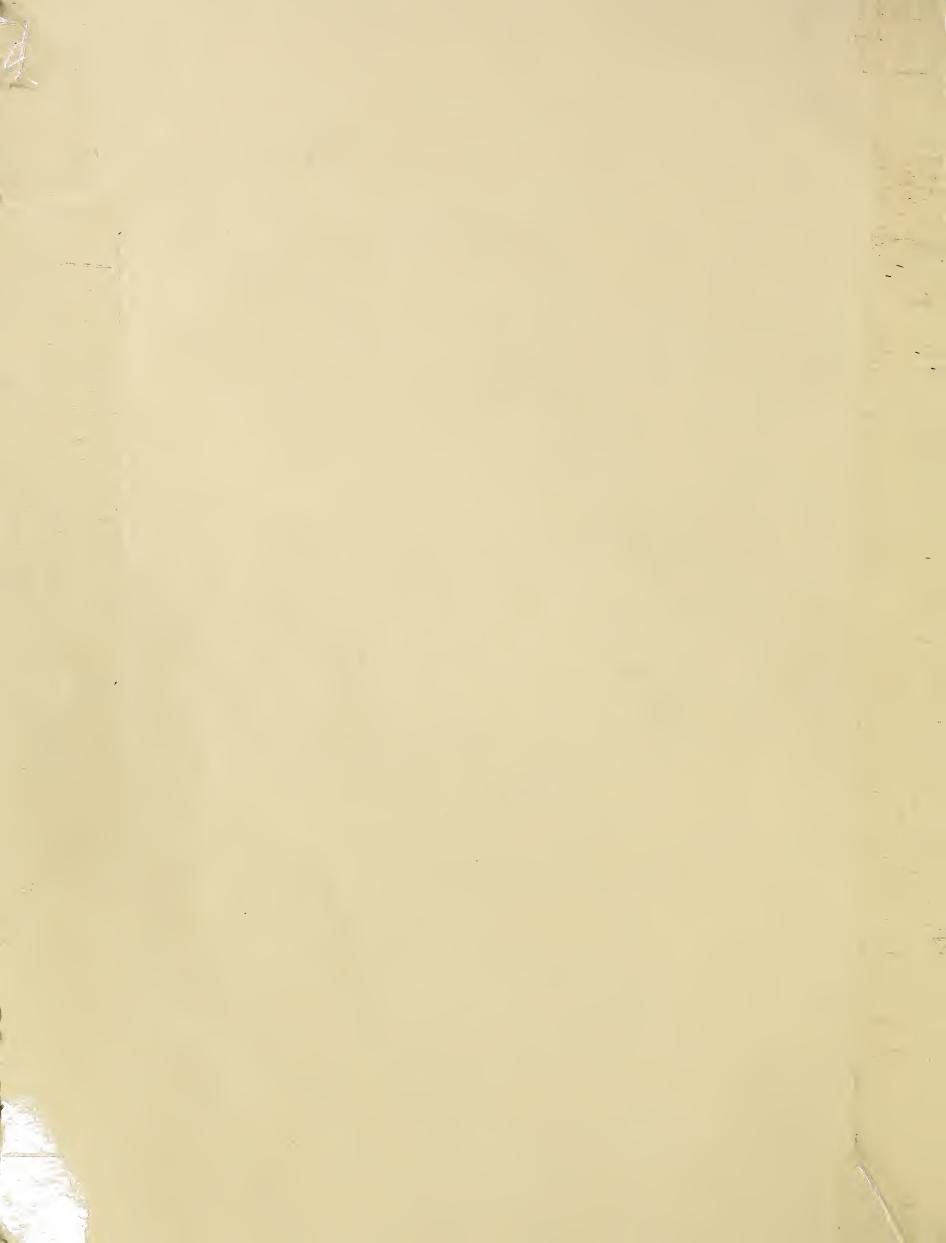
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DAIRY & POULTRY

<u>Butter</u> - The butter market was progressively firmer on declining receipts and good demand.

Eggs - Receipts at terminal markets indicate a continued increase in egg production. Added to this volume were more cars from the Central West which filled most outlets.

Poultry - A large demand for dressed poultry was largely for fryers, roasters, and turkeys. Other classes were in only moderate demand. Prices held unchanged.

MEAT

Beef - The general demand for steer and cow beef was a little broader and there were indications of improved clearance.

Lamb - The general quality of lamb continued to carry rather high percentage of Good and Choice. Supplies were liberal for the daily inquiry.

Pork - The volume of pork cuts made available continued below the daily demands.

FRUIT & VEGETABLE

Grapes and small size oranges are the best buys of the fresh fruits this week. Grapes are in liberal supply and selling mostly below ceiling. All berries are in very light supply. The volume of cantaloup is dropping off gradually. Cranshaw, Casaba, Honeydew and Persian melons are in fairly plentiful supply and all selling below the ceiling. A large variety of pears is available in fair volume. Persimmons and pomegranates are more plentiful. Watermelons are in moderate supply, selling below ceiling. There is no change in apples, avocados and other citrus fruits.

The best buys of the fresh vegetables are <u>cabbage</u>, <u>cucumbers</u>, <u>eggplant</u>, <u>peppers</u> and <u>spinach</u>. <u>Bunched vegetables</u> are a shade lower and are a fairly good buy. <u>Broccoli</u>, <u>tomatoes</u> and <u>squash</u> are moderately priced. <u>Corn</u> and <u>onions</u> are a little lower. <u>Cauliflower</u> and <u>beans</u> are a little higher. <u>Lettuce</u> is quite a bit higher. <u>Potatoes</u> are down a little and of good quality. There is no change in <u>peas</u> and <u>sweet potatoes</u>.

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FRUIT AND VEGETABLE

Small size oranges are the best fresh fruit buy this week. Large size oranges are selling at ceiling. Grapes are in moderate supply due to rainy weather in the San Juaquin Valley. Watermelons are low priced, but the quality is rather poor. Cantaloups are in moderate supply, but are slowly dropping off. Cranshaw, Casaba, Honeydew and Persian melons are in fairly plentiful supply. Persimmons and pomegranates are in moderate supply. Apples are in moderate supply and selling at ceiling. Winter varieties are starting to appear.

Cabbage, onions, peppers, potatoes and spinach are the best fresh vegetable buys this week. Corn is just a shade lower. Cucumbers are higher and in moderate supply. Eggplant is much higher and scarce. Lettuce is higher and in light to moderate supply. Snap beans are a little higher. Squash is in moderate supply. There is a good supply of tomatoes ranging from very good to rather poor quality. There is no change in cauliflower and celery.

DAIRY AND POULTRY

Butter - Supplies of grade AA and A were lighter and there was increased activity to obtain supplies both at point of production and on local markets. Offerings at the wholesale level were sharply curtailed with more transactions on store delivery basis. All markets reported an increasing tendency to use storage stocks to supplement dwindling receipts of fresh.

Eggs - Influenced somewhat by firmer Eastern and Central Western markets, the local market was slightly firmer. However, supplies of most all grades in retail outlets were liberal. The continued increase in egg production from week to week and reports of further declines in government buying, offset the firmer factors to some extent.

Poultry - Increasing receipts of live poultry filled all outlets and the tone of the market was somewhat easier.

MEAT

Beef - A very active demand was evident in local districts. Quality continued fairly wide with liberal slaughter of cow beef making up a large percent of the offerings.

Lamb - A rather liberal volume of lamb was being offered during the greater part of the week, quality consisting mostly of Choice grade.

Pork - Pork supplies continued very scant, with broad inquiry in evidence.

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DAIRY AND POULTRY

<u>Butter</u> - Distributors in the San Francisco area reported an increase in sales of butter to retail outlets. The market continued to strengthen as production and receipts declined to low levels and demand improved.

Eggs - The upturn in egg production as indicated by receipts at country packing plants was slow. Demand from retail outlets was strong and distributors continued to report difficulty in filling orders due to shortage of candlers.

Poultry - Offerings of live poultry were liberal and dressing plants were pushed to handle all arrivals. Lower grades were not wanted, even at considerable reduction in price.

MEATS

Beef - The general supplies of beef showed a little more liberal offerings, with steer beef making up somewhat larger bulk of the daily volume. The market was fully steady to strong.

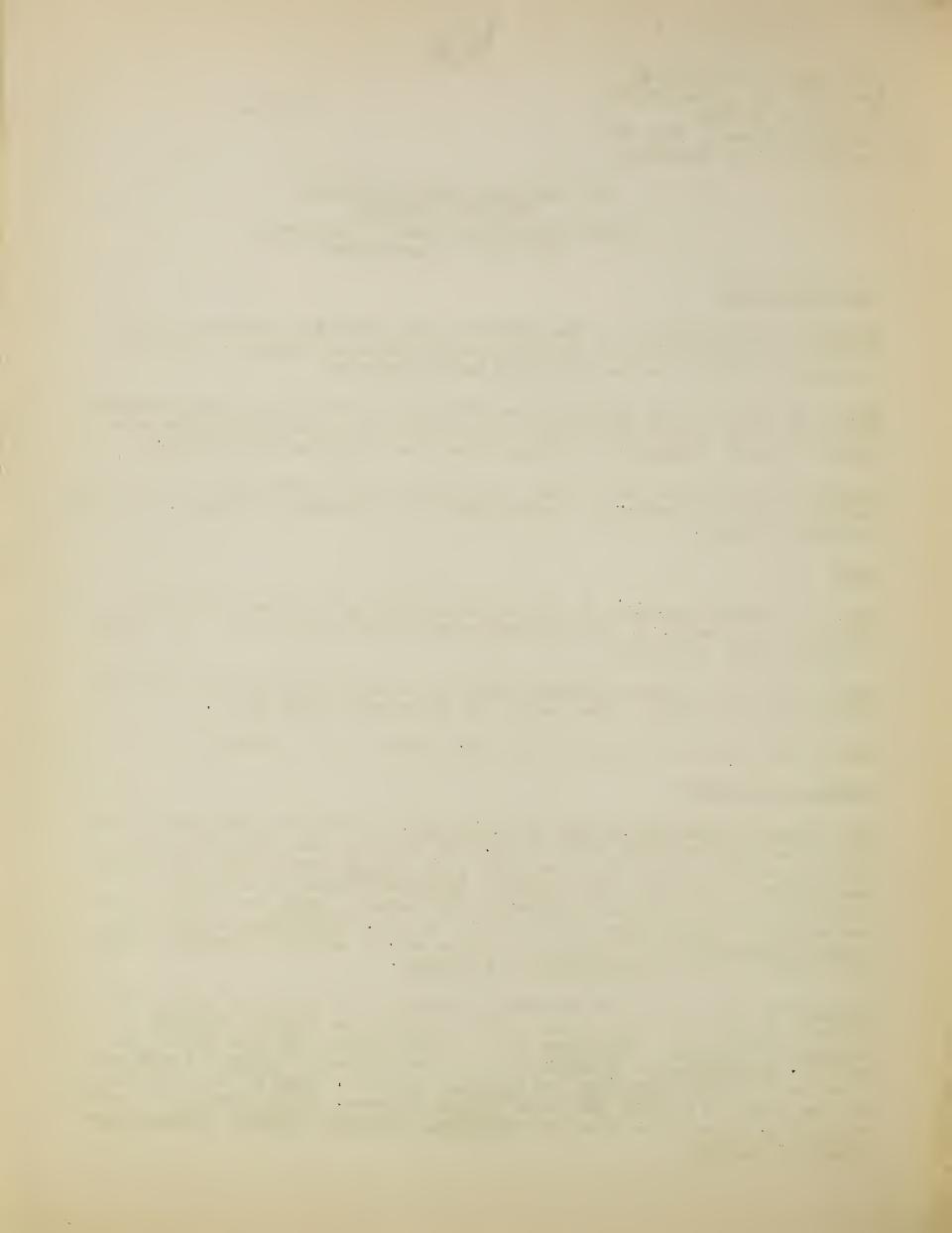
Lamb - The volume of lamb continued fairly large from cooler to cooler, and all cuts found ready outlets. The quality was in somewhat wider range.

Pork - Pork cuts were very scant and a broad demand was in evidence.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Figs, grapes, small size oranges and watermelons are the best fresh fruit buys this week. Figs are quite a bit lower. Due to heavy rains the quality of grapes is not too good. There are quite a few apples arriving from the Northwest, Delicious being the main variety. California varieties available are Delicious, Jonathans, Romes, Bellflowers and Newtons. Pears are selling at or near ceiling. Pomegranates are in moderate supply. Persimmons are in light supply. Cranberries are beginning to arrive and are selling at ceiling. There is no change in other citrus fruits and melons.

Tomatoes are the best buy of the fresh vegetables this week. The quality is good and they are very low priced. Other good buys are onions, potatoes, peppers, and spinach. Snap beans are in lighter supply with best quality at ceiling. Cauliflower is plentiful and moderately priced. Colery and corn are in moderate supply. Cucumbers and explant are lower. Peas are a little higher and the volume is dropping off some. Squash is lower. Sweet potatoes are selling at ceiling. There is no change in artichokes, broccoli, cabbage, bunched vegetables and lettuce.



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Butter - Production and receipts of butter continued their sharp declines as milk flow dropped and milk and cream demands siphoned supplies from butter. The shortage of top grades increased and markets were definitely firmer as demands expanded.

Eggs - Consumer demand continued centered on top quality large eggs, supplies of which were not sufficient for all needs. Receipts at country packing plants showed a small but steady increase from week to week.

Poultry - A large volume of dressed poultry moved through the wholesale market. Dressing plants were operating at near full capacity. Shortage of labor still restricted the volume at some plants.

TAEM

Beef - A fairly broad demand was in evidence for steer and heifer beef with general supplies a little more liberal. Quality was fairly even, with Good and Choice grades predominating.

Lamb - A fairly liberal slaughter of lamb was evident. Quality is largely Good and Choice with some Utility available.

Pork - The volume of pork cuts continued scant and the demand was broad.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Small size oranges and watermelons are the best fresh fruit buys this week. The quality of watermelons is only fair. More apples are arriving from the Northwest. All good quality apples are selling at ceiling. Fuerte avocados are quite high. The end of the season is approaching for Casaba, Cranshaw, Porsian and Honovdew melons. Figs are a little higher. Pomegranates are a little lower and quite plentiful. Persimmons are in light supply. There is no change in grapos, citrus fruits and pears.

Cabbage, onions, potatoes and peppers are the best buys of the fresh vegetables this week. Artichokes are quite high. Green beans are rather scarce and selling at ceiling. Broccoli is quite plentiful. Brussels sprouts are in moderate supply and a little higher. Peas are a little higher, and the quality is not too good. Spinach is a little higher. Tomatoes are a little higher this week after being very low priced last week. Liberal receipts of pumpkins are arriving and are reasonably priced. There is no change in cauliflower, celery, corn, cucumbers, eggplant, lettuce and squash.

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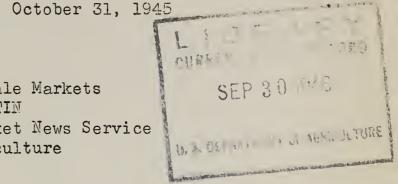
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FRUIT AND VEGETABLE

Small size oranges are the best fresh fruit buy this week. Avocades are slightly lower and a little more plentiful. There are quite a few grapes on the market, but the quality is rather poor. There are no grapefruit. There are quite a few pears selling at or near ceiling. Persimmons are in moderate supply. Pomegranates are lower and in moderate supply. Watermelons are very low priced, but the quality is very poor. Of the melons, there are only a few Persian and Honeydews available at ceiling. There is no change in apples.

Onions, peppers, potatoes, and hard squash are the best buys of the fresh vegetables this week. Onions are a little higher, due to a change in ceiling. String beans are in limited supply and selling at ceiling. All bunched vegetables and celery are in moderate supply. Cabbage and soft squash are a little higher. Cauliflower is slightly higher and in moderate supply. Corn is lower and in moderate supply. Lettuce is higher and in light supply. There are very few peas available. Tomatoes are somewhat higher and in limited to moderate supply. There is no change in sweet potatoes, spinach, eggplant and cucumbers.

DAIRY AND POULTRY

Eggs - Egg production continued to gain slowly, but good storage eggs were reported scarce, and sales in retail outlets declined.

HEAT

Boof - Offerings of beef consisted largely of steer and heifer beef, with the supplies of cow beef very moderate.

<u>Lamb</u> - Supplies of lamb barely equal the daily demand. Market fully steady on Good and Choice.

Pork - The volume of pork cuts made available continued very scant for the broad inquiry.

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